

DATE OF MEETING: May 5, 2008  
PLACE OF MEETING: Village Hall, Pawling, New York  
MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Robert Liffland  
Trustee Tracy Durkin  
Trustee Wayne Osborn  
Trustee Robert Murphy  
Trustee Colette Zito

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Liffland reported a meeting was held regarding the Town Comprehensive Plan. He said the attendees gave suggestions as to what they would like to see within the plan. Mayor Liffland said the topic that concerned him was the 3,500 square footprint however that subject was under litigation and was not discussed. He said he believed the issue would become part of the Town Comprehensive Plan and urged everyone to attend the Public Hearings on the topic to give their feedback to the committee.

Mayor Liffland stated he attended a meeting with town and school representatives on the Shared Municipal Services Grant. He said the village's needs were presented. Mayor Liffland said a topic of discussion was what would happen if the funding did not come through and if the Boards should Bond the project. There was discussion on the topic. Trustee Durkin said she thought the topic of funding the construction should be discussed once the study was completed to see if the project was even feasible. She said the feasibility study would include a cost benefit analysis and how to structure the financing for the venture. There was discussion. The Board decided to wait to see the results of the feasibility study before discussing future financing.

Mayor Liffland said he met with Ms. Ryan, the representative from the DOT who took over for Doug Cotton. He introduced the village and brought Ms. Ryan up to speed on the Village Green project. He said the DOT was going to focus on what the TEA-21 grant would be funding.

Trustee Durkin went over the four proposals received for the Memorial Avenue Tree Project. She summarized the proposals because each one was a little different in how the contractor would go about completing the job. She reported that the prices for each package were:

Red Cedar	\$7,200.00
Arbor Scape	\$10,365.00
Sav-A-Tree	\$3,909.00 w/o erosion control
Care of Trees	\$19,070.00.

**MOTION** by Trustee Durkin that contingent upon the review of two references and provision of insurance that the Board accept the proposal from Red Cedar. **SECONDED** by Trustee Murphy. Trustee Murphy said there should be time allotted to allow for parking notices to be put up since during the work period there would be no parking southbound on Memorial Avenue and in the Metro North lot by the trees. There was no further discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Liffland raised the topic of amending the Building Department fees. The Board reviewed the fees.

**MOTION** by Trustee Murphy to approve the fee schedule for the Fire Inspections & Operating Permits, Certificate of Occupancies and the Miscellaneous Fees - Grease Trap Inspections (which will be charged to the Sewer Commission) as proposed by the Building Inspector (see attached). **SECONDED** by Trustee Durkin. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Liffland stated he received a proposal from Soiltesting, Inc. to perform the work to test the soil for the foundation of the retaining wall of the Village Green in the amount of \$12,535.00. Mayor Liffland explained that the Pawling Community Foundation would be paying for the work.

**MOTION** by Trustee Durkin that the Board approve the proposal pending PCF approval. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. Trustee Murphy asked if the Board would pay the bill out of pocket and get reimbursed by the PCF. Mayor Liffland stated he would like to see the PCF pay first. Trustee Murphy concurred. Trustee Murphy asked if Soiltesting, Inc was the only company that did that type of work. Mayor Liffland said according to Craig Marti, a village engineer, that he looked around and this was the lowest bidder. Trustee Murphy suggested having the prices given to the Clerk to keep on file. Trustee Murphy reiterated that the contractor should be notified that he would not be receiving payment until the reimbursement came to the village from the PCF. Mayor Liffland said the costs might change because the village would be dealing with Metro North and there were costs for flagmen. He said the project would have to be coordinated with the contractor, village and Metro North because it could become very costly if there were delays. Trustee Zito asked about the insurance clause within the proposal. Mayor Liffland stated the village would have to provide insurance due to the Force Account. Trustee Zito asked if the village could bond it. Mayor Liffland said that would drive the cost up. Mayor Liffland suggested amending the motion to say that the money should be provided by the PCF up front and the amount should be \$15,000. He said a representative from Metro North should be contacted to take a look at the project.

**MOTION** by Trustee Durkin to amend the motion to say that the PCF is to provide the funding in advance and contingent upon Metro North coming out. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no further discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Murphy to approve the Memorial Day Ceremony and Parade Route for May 26, 2008. **SECONDED** by Trustee Durkin. Mayor Liffland said all were welcome. There was no further discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Murphy to waive the penalty for Water Account #527 in the amount of \$10.95 due to a death in the family. **SECONDED** by Trustee Durkin. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Durkin to waive the penalty for Water Account #293 in the amount of \$26.82 due to the letter being sent to New Orleans. **SECONDED** by Trustee Murphy. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Murphy to transfer \$100,000 from the F Fund to the A Fund to pay May bills. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Osborn to approve the April 21, 2008 minutes. **SECONDED** by Trustee Durkin. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Durkin to approve the April 28, 2008 prepaids in the amount of \$14,110.37. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Durkin to approve the May bills in the amount of \$104,649.32. **SECONDED** by Trustee Durkin. Mayor Liffland said he had a call in to Sergeant Dampf because he felt the police bill was a little high and he wanted to make sure that the patrols would work with the budget numbers. There was no further discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

### **Historian's Report**

Drew Nicholson reported on the Quadricentennial Celebration. He said the village could apply for \$1,000 in order to design an object or medallion representing the Village of Pawling which would be carried during a parade.

### **Trustees' Reports**

#### **Tracy Durkin**

Trustee Durkin reminded everyone that the Dutchess County Planning Federation would be holding their awards ceremony on May 12, 2008.

#### **Wayne Osborn**

Trustee Osborn reported a proposal was received from Azertia for an MS4 software program in the amount of approximately \$8,000. He said he would invite Bart Clark, a village engineer, to a meeting to give a presentation. Trustee Osborn said the street sweeper had been out and the Highway Crew would be starting to paint the crosswalks. There was discussion about the type of paint used.

#### **Colette Zito**

Trustee Zito stated she met with Pete Muroski of Native Landscaping to tour the Metro North lot. She stated 3 bushes had died and it would cost \$200 to replace them.

**MOTION** by Trustee Zito to have Native Landscaping replace the 3 bushes at a cost of \$200.00. **SECONDED** by Trustee Durkin. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Trustee Zito asked to meet with Trustee Osborn to go over different methods of road maintenance to help keep the trees healthy throughout the village. There was discussion about a tree that had been planted with a plastic bag around the roots. The Board decided to have Mr. Muroski to dig up the tree, remove the bag and replant it. Trustee

Zito stated she was looking into getting a second RFP for the repairs to the Municipal Building roof. She said she was working with Glenn Friar, of the Pawling Central School District, on perhaps hiring a part time worker to clean the Village Hall. She said she was also looking into having the windows cleaned. She stated she was reporting street light outages to NYSEG. Trustee Zito said the village was not eligible for the DEC grant but she found another grant she wanted to research.

### **Mayor's Comments**

Mayor Liffland reported the 86 well was back on. There was discussion on where the payments resulting from the oil spill would be sent. Mayor Liffland stated the leak detection company found some leaks within the water system and they would be out to fix them. He said he was also working on the communication system between the wells. Mayor Liffland said there was an accident on Charles Colman Boulevard which destroyed the gate and wall before the pedestrian bridge which he was working on having fixed. He said the conceptual design report was handed in to the Dutchess County Department Board of Health for the reservoir filtration system.

### **Public Comment**

Mr. Darrel Haley, a resident of Orchard Street, asked questions concerning the accident on Charles Colman Boulevard.

Mr. Fred Feindel, a resident of Coulter Avenue, asked about the traffic counters around the village. He commented it would be nice to have a cross walk on Coulter Avenue between Spring Street and Smith Street.

Mr. Sy Capalbo, a resident of Walnut Drive, asked if the Board had written to the FAA to find out what the flight path would be for the airplanes flying into Stewart. Mr. Feindel said residents of Pawling would not see any change.

**MOTION** by Trustee Durkin to close the meeting at 9:28 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

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Village Clerk